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NOTES

TOWN WARRANT

The State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Dorchester in the County of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Dorchester on Tuesday the 13th day of March, 1979, polls to be open for voting on Article 1 at 1:00 o'clock in the afternoon, and to close not earlier than 6:00 o'clock in the afternoon, with action on the remaining articles to be taken commencing at 7:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

1. To choose by nonpartisan ballot all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and to make appropriations for the same.

3. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Town Poor and Old Age Assistance.

4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000.00 for repairing highways and bridges during the ensuing year, and authorize the withdrawal of \$2,000.00 of said sum from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972, with the remaining \$18,000.00 to be raised from taxes.

6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$538.32 in order to secure from the State the sum of \$3,588.81 to be expended for town road aid.

7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$200.00 to add to the Capital Reserve Fund for repairs to the Town Hall and other town buildings.

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$500.00 for the Forest Fire Department.

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,000.00 to the Rumney Fire Department for Fire protection from March 1, 1979 to March 1, 1980.

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,000.00 to add to the Capital Reserve Fund for snow removal and road equipment.

11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$25.00 to purchase flags to place at the graves of our veterans in Dorchester.

12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to administer, lease, rent, sell and convey, or otherwise dispose of any real estate or mineral rights acquired by the Town by any Tax Collector's deed.

13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,500.00 for the purpose of making arrangements for the use of a disposal area for garbage and rubbish for the use of Dorchester residents.

14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$32.00 as its share of the cost of publicizing and promoting the natural attractions of the Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee Region.

15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$150.00 for the support of the Dorchester Community Library.

16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$300.00 for the support of the Cemetery Fund.

17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$350.00 in order to support the work of the Mascoma Area Health Council within the Town.

18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$138.00 as its share of the cost of the operating expenses of the Upper Valley-Lake Sunapee Council's regional planning Commission.

19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 in order to support the medical emergency service and emergency transportation provided by the Canaan F.A.S.T., Inc. within the Town.

20. To hear the reports of agents, auditors or committees heretofore chosen and to pass any vote relating thereto.

21. To act upon any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seals this 7th day of February, 1979.

ERNEST J. HANLEY
ALFRED E. ASHLEY
A. JOHN FRANZ
Selectmen of Dorchester

A true copy

ATTEST:

ERNEST J. HANLEY
ALFRED E. ASHLEY
A. JOHN FRANZ

TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen

Ernest J. Hanley, '79

A. John Franz, '81

Alfred E. Ashley, '80

Moderator

Alexander Lennox, Jr.

Tax Collector

Delbert Gray

Town Clerk

Nellie M. Ashley

Treasurer

Jean M. Krzyzak

Road Agent

Raymond E. Conkey

Forest Fire Warden

Richard P. Carter

Health Officer

Herbert Wilson

Relief Agent

Barbara Jennings

Police Officer and Dog Constable

John Cote

Deputies

Kenneth Hall — Ralph Gove

Trustees of Trust Funds

Beverly Walker, '79

Beverly Hall, '81

Eric Bergstrom, '80

Supervisors of Check Lists

Marion Delsart, '80

Margaret M. Lennox, '84

Nancy Cote, '82

Auditors

Matilda M. Ernst

Mary Carroll Abell

Cemetery Committee

Nella H. Ashley, Chairman

Martha L. Walker

Eric P. Bergstrom

Library Trustees

Nella H. Ashley, '79

Robert W. Thayer, '80

Michael Lach, '81, Treas.

Planning Board

James H. Gile, Jr., '80

Matilda M. Ernst, '82

Alexander Lennox, Jr., '81, Chairman

Linda M. Kimball, '83, Secretary

SUMMARY OF INVENTORY

Land – improved and unimproved	\$419,918.75	
Buildings	702,505.00	
Electric Poles & Fixtures	15,348.00	
House Trailers (16)	<u>50,750.00</u>	
Total Valuation		\$1,188,521.75
Property Exemption R.S.A. 72:39	- 40,000.00	<u>40,000.00</u>
Net Valuation		\$1,148,521.75

Veteran's Widow Exemption from Resident Tax (2)

Tax Rate – \$4.54

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Description:

Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$10,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	1,300.00
Libraries, Lands and Buildings	2,000.00
Police Department, Equipment	1,500.00
Fire Department, Equipment	600.00
Highway Department, Equipment	25,000.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	<u>3,000.00</u>
	\$43,400.00

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF DORCHESTER, N.H.

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year
January 1, 1979 to December 31, 1979

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	Appropriations Previous Fiscal Year 1978	Actual Expendi- tures Previous Fiscal Year 1978	Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year 1979
General Government:			
Town officers' salaries	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 5,224.32	\$ 6,000.00
Town officers' expenses	1,600.00	1,646.61	1,650.00
Election & Registration exp.	700.00	685.29	500.00
Town hall & other buildings	400.00	203.12	400.00
Protection of Persons & Property:			
Police Department	800.00	602.92	800.00
Fire dept., incl. forest fires	1,300.00	1,385.25	1,500.00
Insurance	1,800.00	1,944.00	2,100.00
Health Department:			
Town Dump	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,500.00
Mascoma Area Health Council	350.00	350.00	350.00
Highways & Bridges:			
Town road aid	473.31	473.31	538.32
Town maintenance	20,000.00	17,280.24	20,000.00
Class V	9,007.87	9,007.87	10,497.69
Libraries:			
Library	150.00	150.00	150.00
Public Welfare:			
Town poor	500.00	1,045.21	500.00
Old age assistance	500.00		
Patriotic Purposes:			
Flags	25.00	22.50	25.00
Public Services Enterprises:			
Cemeteries	100.00	500.00	300.00
Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee			32.00

Upper Valley-Lake Sunapee Council	\$ 131.00	\$	\$ 138.00
Unclassified:			
Damages & Legal expenses	400.00	300.00	400.00
Debt Service:			
Interest on temporary loans	250.00	165.00	250.00
Capital Outlay:			
County Tax	3,500.00	3,658.68	3,800.00
School Tax		39,678.49	
Pemigewasset National Bank (truck loan)			3,500.00
Pemigewasset National Bank (interest on truck loan)			770.00
Payment to Capital Reserve Fund:			
Road equipment	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Building Fund	200.00	200.00	200.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	<u>\$48,187.18</u>	<u>\$86,522.81</u>	<u>\$56,901.01</u>

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenue Previous Fiscal Year 1978	Actual Revenue Previous Fiscal Year 1978	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Fiscal Year 1979
From Local Taxes:			
Resident Taxes	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,060.00	\$ 1,000.00
Yield Taxes	4,000.00	4,685.84	2,500.00
Interest on Delinquent Taxes		238.17	100.00
Resident Tax Penalties		23.00	
From State:			
Meals & Rooms Tax	1,000.00	1,312.52	1,300.00
Interest & Dividends Tax	700.00	2,339.07	1,800.00
Savings Bank Tax	480.00	262.93	200.00
Highway Subsidy	5,487.21	5,487.21	5,462.82
Town Road Aid	3,155.42	3,155.42	3,588.81
Class V Highway Maintenance	9,007.87	9,007.87	10,497.69
Reimb. a/c State-Federal			
Forest Land	300.00	332.82	275.00
Additional Highway Subsidy	3,574.56	3,574.56	3,541.86
Business Profits Tax	150.00	186.08	150.00
From Local Sources, Except Taxes:			
Motor Vehicle Permits Fees	2,500.00	3,768.58	3,000.00
Dog Licenses	75.00	182.00	150.00
Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees	25.00	14.00	25.00
Receipts Other Than Current Revenue:			
Revenue Sharing Fund		5,000.00	2,000.00
Total Revenues from all sources Except Property Taxes (Does not include School Tax)	\$31,455.06	\$40,630.07	\$35,591.18
Amount to be raised by Property Taxes			21,309.83
TOTAL REVENUES			\$56,901.01

FINANCIAL REPORT
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1978

ASSETS

Cash:		
In hands of treasurer	<u>\$22,688.29</u>	
Total		\$22,688.29
Capital Reserve Funds:		
Highway	9,726.63	
Cemetery	1,624.91	
Building	<u>1,644.91</u>	
Total		12,996.45
Unredeemed Taxes:		
Levy of 1977	<u>542.44</u>	
Total		542.44
Uncollected Taxes:		
Levy of 1978, incl. Resident Taxes	8,068.72	
Levy of 1977	80.00	
Levy of 1976	<u>30.00</u>	
Total		<u>8,178.72</u>
GRAND TOTAL		\$68,942.06
Current Surplus December 31, 1977		18,879.89
Current Surplus December 31, 1978		<u>22,688.29</u>
Increase of Surplus		\$ 3,808.40

LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by the Town:		
School District Tax Payable	<u>17,950.73</u>	
Total Accounts Owed by the Town		17,950.73
State & Town Joint Highway Construction Accounts:		
Unexpended bal. in State Treasury	2,015.48	
Unexpended bal. in Town Treasury	<u>324.40</u>	
		2,339.88

Capital Reserve Funds:	<u>\$12,996.45</u>	<u>\$12,996.45</u>
Total Liabilities		\$33,287.06
Current Surplus (Excess of assets over liabilities)		<u>35,655.00</u>
GRAND TOTAL		\$68,942.06

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes:

Property Taxes — Current Year - 1978	\$43,480.32	
Resident Taxes — Current Year - 1978	1,060.00	
Yield Taxes — Current Year - 1978	<u>4,685.84</u>	
Total Current Year's Taxes Collected and Remitted		\$49,226.00
Property Taxes and Yield Taxes — Previous Years		30,241.00
Resident Taxes — Previous Years		160.00
Interest Received on Delinquent Taxes		238.00
Penalties: Resident Taxes		23.00

From State:

For Highways and Bridges:		
For Town Road Aid		1,139.00
For Class V Highway Maintenance		10,482.00
Highway Subsidy		9,061.00
Interest and dividends tax		2,339.00
Savings Bank Tax		262.00
Reimb. a-c State & Fed. forest lands		332.00
Fighting forest fires		27.00
Reimb. a-c Motor Vehicle Road Toll		98.00
Reimb. a-c Business Profits Tax		186.00

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog Licenses		182.00
Business licenses, permits and filing fees		14.00
Motor vehicle permits (1978)		<u>3,768.00</u>

Total Current Revenue Receipts		\$107,789.00
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Total Current Revenue Receipts (carried forward)	\$107,789.00
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Receipts Other than Current Revenue:

Proceeds of Tax Anticipation Notes	\$15,000.00
Refunds	8.00
Yield Tax Security Deposits	2,431.00
Grants from U.S.A.	
Revenue Sharing	<u>5,000.00</u>

Total Receipts Other than Current Revenue	130,218.00
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Cash on hand January 1, 1978	<u>10,022.00</u>
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GRAND TOTAL	\$140,240.00
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PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government:

Town officers' salaries	\$ 5,224.00
Town officers' expenses	1,646.00
Election & registration expenses	685.00
Expenses town hall & other town bldgs.	203.00

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police department	602.00
Fire dept., incl. forest fires	1,385.00
Insurance	1,944.00

Health:

Health dept., incl. hospitals & ambulance	600.00
Town dumps and garbage removal	1,000.00

Highways & Bridges:

Town Road Aid	786.00
Town Maintenance — Summer	\$8,272.00
— Winter	\$9,007.00
Additional Highway Subsidy	17,279.00
	3,074.00

Libraries:	150.00
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Public Welfare:

Town Poor	1,045.00
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Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day, Veteran's Associations & Old Home Day	\$ 22.00
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Public Service Enterprises:

Cemeteries	500.00
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Unclassified:

Damages and legal expenses	300.00
Discounts, Abatements & refunds	20.00

Total Current Maintenance Expenses	\$ 36,465.00
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Debt Service:**Interest on Debt:**

Paid on tax anticipation notes	208.00
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Total Interest Payments	208.00
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Principal of Debt:

Payments on Tax Anticipation Notes	25,000.00
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Total Principal Payments	25,000.00
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Capital Outlay:

Highways & Bridges – Town construction	10,158.00
Payments to capital reserve funds	1,200.00

Total Outlay Payments	11,358.00
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Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

Payments to State a-c 2% Bond & Debt	
Retirement Taxes	1,156.00
Taxes paid to County	3,658.00
Payments to State	21.00
Payments to School Districts –	
1977 Tax – \$18,138	
1978 Tax – \$21,540	39,678.00

Total Payments to Other Govt. Divisions	44,513.00
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Total Payments for all Purposes

\$117,544.00

Cash on hand December 31, 1978

22,688.00

GRAND TOTAL

\$140,232.00

SCHEDULE OF LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS

Long Term Notes Outstanding:

Pemigewasset National Bank — for

General Purpose Bonds

\$14,000.00

Total Long Term Indebtedness

\$14,000.00

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

ERNEST J. HANLEY

ALFRED E. ASHLEY

ALBERT J. FRANZ

Selectmen

JEAN M. KRZYZAK

Treasurer

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Salaries of Principal Town Officers:

Ernest J. Hanley — Selectman	\$ 600.00
Alfred E. Ashley — Selectman	600.00
A. John Franz — Selectman	500.00
Nellie M. Ashley — Town Clerk	367.00
Charles I. Walker — Selectman (2 months)	100.00
Delbert B. Gray — Tax Collector	1,807.32
Jean M. Krzyzak — Treasurer	200.00
Peggy M. Carter — Selectmen's Clerk & Exp.	1,000.00
Matilda Ernst — Auditor	25.00
Mary Carroll Abell — Auditor	25.00

Town Officers Expenses:

N.H. City & Town Clerk Assoc. — dues	10.00
Dow Manufacturing Co. — dog tags	18.48
New England Tel. — phone calls	33.58
N.H. Assessors Assoc. — dues	20.00
N.H. Municipal Assoc. — dues	200.00
Postmaster, Rumney, N.H. — stamps	97.00
Nellie M. Ashley — expenses	19.47
Mt. Media — notices	29.50
Clifford-Nicol, Inc. — printing Town Reports, Ballots & selectmen's stamp	615.45
Alfred E. Ashley — mileage & expenses	140.00
Homestead Press — supplies	64.46
N.H. Tax Collectors Assoc. — dues	12.00
Delbert B. Gray — Town bonds	143.00
Brown & Saltmarsh — supplies	24.92
Branham Pub. Co. — auto reference book	12.75
Ernest J. Hanley — expenses	111.00
A. John Franz — expenses	80.00
Nella H. Ashley — notary fees	15.00

Total

\$6,870.93

Election & Registration Expenses:

Mountain Media — notices	96.80
Nellie M. Ashley — clerk, primary & election	39.00
Marion Delsart — supervisor	90.00

Nancy A. Cote – supervisor	\$ 78.00	
Margaret M. Lennox – supervisor	84.00	
Frances Merrill – ballot clerk	54.00	
Arlene Carter – ballot clerk	54.00	
Alexander Lennox, Jr. – Moderator	64.50	
Alfred E. Ashley – Selectman, Town Meeting and Primary	37.50	
Ernest J. Hanley – Selectman, Town Meeting	19.50	
A. John Franz – Selectman, Primary	9.00	
Brown and Saltmarsh – checklists	10.20	
John King – labor on voting booths	29.83	
Conn. Valley Reporter – notices	19.08	
Total		\$ 685.41

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Number of Cars – 222	\$3,768.58
Filing Fees	14.00
Dogs – 41	<u>182.00</u>
Paid to Treasurer	\$3,964.58

NELLIE M. ASHLEY
Town Clerk

REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE For the Year Ending December 31, 1978

John Cote – Chief	98 hours	\$343.00	
	mileage	<u>100.00</u>	
			\$443.00
Ralph Gove – Deputy	17½ hours	52.50	
	mileage	<u>10.00</u>	
			62.50
Kenneth Hall – Deputy	7½ hours	22.50	
	mileage	<u>14.00</u>	
			<u>36.50</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES			\$542.00

Respectfully Submitted,

JOHN COTE
Chief of Police

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES LEVY OF 1978

—DR.—

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$51,365.48	
Resident Taxes	<u>1,220.00</u>	
Total Warrants		\$52,585.48

Yield Taxes	4,709.40
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Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes	<u>7.00</u>
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TOTAL DEBITS	\$57,301.88
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—CR.—

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$43,480.32	
Resident Taxes	1,060.00	
Yield Taxes	4,685.84	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	<u>7.00</u>	
		\$49,233.16

Uncollected Taxes — Dec. 31, 1978:

Property Taxes	\$ 7,885.16	
Resident Taxes	160.00	
Yield Taxes	<u>23.56</u>	
		\$ 8,068.72

TOTAL CREDITS	\$57,301.88
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**SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES
LEVY OF 1977**

—DR.—

Uncollected Taxes - As of Jan. 1, 1978:		
Property Taxes	\$30,434.80	
Resident Taxes	240.00	
Yield Taxes	<u>97.40</u>	
		\$30,772.20
Interest Coll. on Delinquent Property Taxes		109.59
Interest Coll. on Delinquent Yield Taxes		7.80
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes		<u>16.00</u>
TOTAL DEBITS		\$30,905.59

—CR.—

Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 1978:		
Property Taxes	\$29,792.36	
Resident Taxes	160.00	
Yield Taxes	97.40	
Interest Collected During Year	109.59	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	16.00	
Interest on Yield Taxes	<u>7.80</u>	
		\$30,183.15
Abatements Made During Year:		
Property Taxes	<u>\$ 100.00</u>	
		\$ 100.00
Uncollected Taxes - Dec. 31, 1978:		
Property Taxes	\$ 542.44	
Resident Taxes	<u>80.00</u>	
		<u>\$ 622.44</u>
TOTAL CREDITS		\$30,905.59

—DR.—

\$ 430.51

—CR.—

\$ 430.51

**SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS
FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1978**

—DR.—

Tax Sales on Account of Levies of:

	1977	1976	1975	Previous Years
Balance of Unredeemed Taxes —				
January 1, 1978		\$354.97		
Taxes Sold to Town During				
Current Fiscal Year	\$655.96	None		
Interest Collected After Sale	15.22	45.54		
Redemption Costs	8.54	61.54		
TOTAL DEBITS	\$679.72	\$462.05	None	None

—CR.—

Remittances to Treasurer

During Year:				
Redemptions	\$268.32	\$354.97		
Interest & Costs After Sale	23.76	107.08		
Abatements During Year	None	None		
Unredeemed Taxes -				
Dec. 31, 1978	387.64	None		
TOTAL CREDITS	\$679.72	\$462.05	None	None

UNREDEEMED TAXES AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1978

George Ayers — (77)	\$126.42
George and Nadine Conkey (77)	261.22
	<u>\$387.64</u>

I hereby certify that the above list showing the name and amount due from each delinquent taxpayer, as of December 31, 1978 on account of the levy of 1977, is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

DELBERT B. GRAY
Tax Collector

TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts:

Cash on Hand January 1, 1978	\$10,022.25	
From Tax Collector	79,889.18	
From Town Clerk	3,964.58	
From Selectmen	<u>46,366.71</u>	
Total Receipts		\$140,242.72

Payments:

By order of Selectmen	<u>117,554.43</u>	
Cash on Hand December 31, 1978		\$ 22,688.29

REVENUE SHARING FUND

1977 Balance	\$ 2,713.95	
1978 Received	2,604.00	
1978 Interest	<u>222.08</u>	
		\$ 5,540.03
Withdrawn by Selectmen		<u>5,000.00</u>
Balance on Hand December 31, 1978		\$ 540.03

Respectfully Submitted,

JEAN M. KRZYZAK
Treasurer

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

CEMETERY FUNDS

Balance on Hand January 1, 1978	\$1,551.29	
New Funds Created	<u>0.00</u>	\$1,551.29
Income:		
Interest received during year	<u>\$ 73.62</u>	\$1,624.91
Expended during year	<u>\$ 180.00</u>	
Balance on Hand December 31		\$1,444.91

CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

Snow Removal Equipment

Balance on Hand January 1, 1978	\$7,409.24	
Interest 1956-1978	1,317.39	
Received from Selectmen	<u>1,000.00</u>	\$9,726.63
Expended during year	<u>\$4,726.45</u>	
Balance on Hand December 31		\$5,000.18

TOWN BUILDING FUND

For Repairs to Town Buildings

Balance on Hand January 1, 1978	\$1,370.09	
Interest Received during year	74.82	
Received from Selectmen	<u>200.00</u>	
Balance on Hand December 31		\$1,644.91

Respectfully Submitted,

BEVERLY WALKER
ERIC P. BERGSTROM
BEVERLY HALL
Trustees of Trust Funds

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

Cash Balance, January 1, 1978	\$.00
Appropriation	1,300.00
Repairs	2,000.00
Revenue Sharing Account	5,000.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	\$20,000.00

Expenditures – Labor

Raymond E. Conkey	\$4,522.00	
Cushman Ainslie	2,328.05	
Clarence L. Poitras, Sr.	325.00	
Richard Carter	21.00	
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Total Labor		\$ 7,196.05

Miscellaneous Payments

Raymond E. Conkey – mileage and pick-up, plowing	\$1,057.42
Internal Revenue – withholding	100.65
Charles Gould – bolts	11.80
Kibby Equipment – cutting blades	427.78
Brooks Auto Supply – parts	211.69
Campers Rest & Ernest Mitchell – gas and equipment rental	2,651.83
Paige Welding – work on truck and sander	488.70
Sanel Auto Parts – parts	46.48
Shortt's Garage – parts	24.89
Webster Motors – parts	66.60
Sanborn Repair – repairs	1,173.09
McAlaster's Market – gas	37.70
Irving MacDonald – equip. rental	1,226.35
Phyllis Ashley – sandpiles	300.00
Lebanon Crushed Stone – culverts	368.30
Merrimack Farmers Exch. – plastic	70.57
Campton Sand & Gravel – cold patch	705.24
Roy Abbott – gravel	84.60
T.B.C. Machinery – loader parts	51.70
L. A. Ryea – sanding	128.75
J. P. Morrison – grader	600.00

S. Buck Canedy – pins for truck	\$ 30.00
International Salt – salt	<u>220.05</u>

Total Parts and Services

\$10,084.19

TOTAL EXPENDITURES

\$17,280.24

Cash on Hand December 31, 1978

2,719.76

Maintenance Allotment by State for Class V Highways:

1978 Allotment	\$10,482.40
Rebuilding Groton Woods Road	<u>10,158.00</u>
Balance	\$ 324.40

T.R.A.

1978 Allotment	\$ 3,155.42
Finishing No. Dorchester Road	<u>1,139.94</u>
Balance	\$ 2,015.48

Respectfully Submitted,

RAYMOND E. CONKEY
Road Agent

REPORT of DISTRICT FOREST FIRE CHIEF and YOUR FOREST FIRE WARDEN

For more than 80 years, a cooperative effort between the State of New Hampshire and local forest fire authorities has created a forest fire prevention and suppression program that is recognized as superior throughout the United States.

Since the first forest fire laws were written in 1895, the state and local community governments have worked together to prevent and combat forest fires.

Today, 249 forest fire wardens and more than 1,800 deputy wardens are appointed every three years by the State Forester to work with the members of the State Forest Fire staff in this effort. State funds are used to pay one-half the cost of forest fire suppression costs incurred by local forest fire organizations, within pay rates established by the Governor and Council. State funds matched by local funds are used to purchase hand tools to suppress forest fires, to train local forest fire crews and in forest fire prevention work.

All outside burning, when the ground is not covered with snow, is permitted only after obtaining a written fire permit from your local Forest Fire Warden. Penalty for burning without a permit when one is required is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine up to \$1,000 or a jail term of up to one year or both.

REMEMBER, ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT FOREST FIRES!

1978 Forest Fire Statistics

	No. of Fires	No. of Acres Burned
State	1,433	460
District	37	20.2
Town	1	2

JOHN Q. RICARD
District Fire Chief

RICHARD P. CARTER
Forest Fire Warden

FOREST FIRE WARDEN'S REPORT

Richard P. Carter – Warden – 1978 Expenses	\$65.00
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Deputy Wardens:

Robert Thayer	\$25.00
Louis Delsart	25.00
Albert Carter	25.00
George Conkey	<u>25.00</u>

Total Deputy Wardens	100.00
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Norman Waldron – labor	12.00
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Training Meeting at Canaan:

Richard Carter – Warden and truck-mileage	29.34
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Louis Delsart – Deputy Warden	22.62
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Robert Thayer – Deputy Warden and truck-mileage	26.52
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Town of Rumney – Forest Fire – No. Dorchester	119.77
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Town of Canaan – House Fire – George Conkey	<u>110.00</u>
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Total Expenses	\$485.25
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Town of Rumney, Fire Department – Fire Protection	<u>900.00</u>
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TOTAL	\$1,385.25
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Respectfully Submitted,

RICHARD P. CARTER
Forest Fire Warden

REPORT OF RELIEF AGENT

Town Poor — 1 case

\$1,045.21

Respectfully Submitted,

BARBARA JENNINGS
Relief Agent

AUDITORS' REPORT

We, the undersigned, have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Cemeteries, Library and Trustees of the Trust Funds and find them correctly and properly vouched.

MARY CARROLL ABELL
MATILDA M. ERNST
Auditors

REPORT OF THE DORCHESTER CEMETERY COMMITTEE

FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance on Hand January 1, 1978	\$459.05	
Received from Selectmen	500.00	
Received from Trust Funds	180.00	
Received from Edward and Caroline Dunkerton (Sale of Lot #35)	75.00	
Received from Alice Young (Sale of Lot #44)	75.00	
Received from Isaac Burnham (Contribution)	15.00	
		<u>\$1,304.05</u>
Expenses:		
Care of Cheever Cemetery	\$ 50.50	
Care of No. Dorchester Cemetery	84.00	
Care of See-it-All Cemetery	20.00	
Care of Town House Cemetery	69.50	
Care of Dorchester Cemetery	111.50	
Raymond Conkey (Hauling oil for driveways)	23.60	
Ernest Mitchell (Building road, setting posts, etc.)	600.00	
Ernest Mitchell (Sexton's Supplies)	121.03	
Registrar of Deeds, Grafton County (Recording Deed to No. Dorchester Cem.)	9.65	
Bank Charges	.69	
		<u>\$1,090.47</u>
Balance on Hand, Dec. 31, 1978		\$ 213.58

Mr. Henry Waldo gave a deed to the North Dorchester Cemetery to the Town which was gratefully acknowledged and promptly recorded.

Proper entrance and exit to and from the cemetery were made and posts and chains set up. More work must be done on relocating certain lots now the road is laid out.

The work is still under the supervision of Mrs. Martha Walker.

Respectfully submitted,
NELLA H. ASHLEY
ERIC P. BERGSTROM
MARTHA L. WALKER
Dorchester Cemetery Committee

DORCHESTER COMMUNITY LIBRARY

The Dorchester Community Library was able to purchase a film projector in 1978, using gifts of \$300.00 from Dorchester Grange #280, \$50.00 from the Rocky Branch 4-H Club and \$100.00 from the Dorchester Players. The projector is available to all Dorchester organizations, and has been used at Grange and 4-H meetings, as well as by the Dorchester Players for a winter film series at the Town House.

Dorchester residents gave \$137.00 in a fund drive and, as a result, the library was able to purchase fourteen one-year magazine subscriptions.

The library owns 1,058 books and during 1978 borrowed 1,964 books from the N.H. State Library Bookmobile. However, of this number, only 726 books and magazines were circulated during 1978. This was a disappointment to the librarian and others, all of whom give their time as volunteers to keep the library in operation. The librarian welcomes suggestions that would lead to a wider use of the library.

During 1979, more shelves will be built, and a drop-box will be provided, so that books may be returned when the library is closed.

The Library is open on Thursdays from 4:00 to 6:30 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

CAROL H. WILSON, Librarian

FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance on Hand January 1, 1978		\$ 183.02
Receipts:		
From Selectmen	\$150.00	
Donations	<u>572.65</u>	
		<u>722.65</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$ 905.67
Payments:		
Demco. Educ. Corp. (books)	\$237.83	
Noyes Ins. Co. (policy)	32.00	
Northeast Audio Visual (movie projector)	495.00	
Bank service charge	<u>.70</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS		<u>765.53</u>
Balance on hand December 31, 1978		\$ 140.14
Board of Trustees NELLA H. ASHLEY, Chairman		
ROBERT W. THAYER, MICHAEL J. LACH, Treas.		

MASCOMA AREA HEALTH COUNCIL — 1978

In its tenth year of service to the five Mascoma towns, the Health Council continues to furnish skilled nursing care, physical therapy and home health aide services to homebound citizens. During the year an adult health screening clinic was held in cooperation with the local Lions Clubs and monthly blood pressure screenings were held in each town on a rotating basis.

In response to a growing need for children's services in this area a part-time pediatric nurse-practitioner is now hard at work. The Council continues to sponsor a well-child clinic and dental clinic, newborn visits and pre-school hearing and vision screening. Approximately half the funds necessary for these endeavors is provided by the State Department of Maternal and Child Health.

Although there is a charge, on a sliding scale, for some of the above, care is provided to all regardless of ability to pay, and most visits are covered by Medicare or health insurance.

Despite the pressures of inflation and growing population, the Health Council's per capita request to the towns has remained steady.

Inquiries about available services may be directed to the Mascoma Area Health Council office in Whitney Hall, Box 378, Enfield, Tel. 632-7234.

During the year Dorchester residents received the following services:

Skilled nursing visits in the home	154
Physical therapy visits in the home	71
Pre-school dental visits	2
Children enrolled in well-child clinic	8
Visits to clinic by children	17
Follow-up visits by nurse-practitioner	21
Newborn visits	1

Fluoride testing of wells was also participated in.

Respectfully Submitted,

CAROL STOMBERG

Chairman of the Board

MARRIAGES — TOWN OF DORCHESTER — 1978

Date & Place	Name of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of marriage	Name of Parents
April 9, 1978 Dorchester, NH	Linda Jean Kincade	Dracut, Mass.	Jean McLain Raymond Kryzak
	Harry Douglas Tenney	Dracut, Mass.	Eleanor Hayes Donald Tenney
Aug. 12, 1978 Hanover, NH	Beverly Sue Butcher	Dorchester, NH	Rita Dulac Frederick A. Butcher
	Mark Allen Lancaster	Hanover, NH	Dufault William Lancaster

DEATHS — TOWN OF DORCHESTER — 1978

Date	Place of Death	Name	Age	Father's Name	Mother's Name
Aug. 20, 1978	Orford, NH	Ralph L. Young	34	Stanley C. Young	Alice L. Moses

BIRTHS — TOWN OF DORCHESTER — 1978

Date and Place of Birth	Name of Child	Sex	Name of Mother	Name of Father	Birthplace of Mother	Birthplace of Father
March 10, 1978 Rumney, NH	Sarah Jane Ayres	F	Margaret H. Knipfer	George L. Ayres	Ohio	Mass.
Oct. 4, 1978 Plymouth, NH	Theresa Christine Grigas	F	Stephanie Ann Dickerson	Robert Steven Grigas	Maine	NH

